

REMARKS:

Reconsideration of the present application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

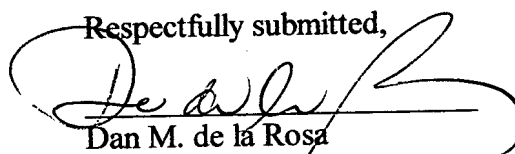
The pending claims in the present application are claims 1, 3-5, 7-12, 14-16, 19-23, 25-26, and 29-33.

In the Official Action dated March 10, 2004 and a second Advisory Action dated April 22, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 30 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention; in particular, the talc and beads each comprise 50% and the mixture adds up to more than 100%. In response, the Applicant has amended claims 30 and 33 so that the talc ranges from 2 to 25%, the beads range from 2 to 25% and the carrier ranges from 50 to 96% and the mixture adds up to 100%. The previous Amendment did not have the correct status identifiers and in response, the Applicant is amending the status identifiers for the claims.

In view of the actions taken and arguments presented, it is respectfully submitted that the present invention is now in condition for allowance.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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